

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who have retired from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Louisiana R-II School District lost a valuable member of its faculty on May 22, 2008, with the retirement of Mittra Mahabir, who devoted several years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

Whereas, Mittra Mahabir taught for thirty-three years at Louisiana R-II, where he was held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrated considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Mittra Mahabir taught at Hurley R-I for two years and Odessa R-VII for two years prior to assuming his responsibilities at Louisiana R-II, where he taught vocational agriculture, agriculture construction, small gas engines, and horticulture, and served as a class sponsor and a Future Farmers of America sponsor; and

Whereas, Mittra Mahabir watched his pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge he imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Mittra Mahabir has supported his profession as a member of the Louisiana Community Teachers Association, the Missouri State Teachers Association, the Missouri Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association, and the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

Whereas, Mittra Mahabir has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Shirley Mahabir; his children and their spouses, Chandra and Robert Harris, Anita and Sid Patel, and David Mahabir; and one granddaughter, Ella Harris:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Louisiana R-II School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Mittra Mahabir rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mittra Mahabir, as a measure of the high esteem in which we hold him.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3277, adopted May 27, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker